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SUBJECT: CLAIMANTS TO US CITIZENSHIP

REF: PEKING 1286 (NOTAL)

1. IN REPLYING TO LETTER FROM LAWYER OF MRS. MONICA YU, US RESIDENT WHOSE BROTHER AND SISTER, CHUN WAH AND CHUN HING FONG, ARE RESIDENTS OF PRC, DEPT WILL STATE THAT ITS RECORDS SHOW ISSUANCE OF US PASSPORT TO THEIR CLAIMED FATHER, MING SEUNG FONG, BUT NOT TO CLAIMANTS. WE ARE CONTEMPLATING ADDING, IN ACCORDANCE REFTTEL, THAT IN ORDER TO OBTAIN A DETERMINATION OF THEIR POSSIBLE CITIZENSHIP CLAIMS THE FONGS COULD WRITE TO USLO FOR INFORMATION ON APPLYING FOR PASSPORTS. (SO FAR WE HAVE NOT SUGGESTED THIS PROCEDURE TO AN INQUIRER.) DOES USLO STILL CONCUR IN SUCH REPLY IN THIS AND SIMILAR CASES?

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2. DEPT IS RECEIVING INCREASING PRESSURE FROM PERSONS IN

US FOR ASSISTANCE TO THEIR RELATIVES IN PRC WHO MAY HAVE CLAIMS TO US CITIZENSHIP. WE HAD HOPED FOR EARLY REPLY FROM MFA IN ARCHIE LEE CASE IN ORDER TO GET INDICATION OF CHINESE THINKING ON DUAL NATIONALITY AND ACCESS OF ETHNIC CHINESE TO USLO. AS CHINESE COMMENT MAY BE LONG DELAYED,

HOWEVER, WE ARE CONSIDERING TELLING PERSONS IN US WHO INQUIRE ON BEHALF OF RELATIVES IN PRC WITH POSSIBLE CLAIM TO US CITIZENSHIP THAT IF THE PERSON IN US WILL SEND US A COPY OF LETTER, IN CHINESE OR ENGLISH, FROM THE RELATIVE IN PRC STATING HE OR SHE WOULD LIKE US TO INFORM MFA THAT HE OR SHE WOULD LIKE TO VISIT USLO IN ORDER TO DISCUSS THE SUBJECT OF US CITIZENSHIP, WE WOULD TAKE THE MATTER UP WITH MFA. WE WOULD THEN ASK USLO TO DO SO. WE WOULD ALSO STATE IN OUR LETTER THAT THE PERSON IN PRC COULD WRITE DIRECTLY TO USLO IF HE OR SHE DESIRED, EITHER TO REQUEST INFORMATION ABOUT APPLYING FOR A PASSPORT OR TO ASK USLO TO INFORM MFA OF HIS OR HER DESIRE TO VISIT USLO TO DISCUSS THE SUBJECT OF US CITIZENSHIP.

3. WE WOULD APPRECIATE USLO'S COMMENT ASAP ON THIS PROPOSED PROCEDURE.

4. DEPT EXPECTS TO REPLY TO PEKING 2270 (NOTAL) SOON.
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